--- 1/10th Pound - Series “A” - 155 x 15 mm. - scanned at 100% scale ---

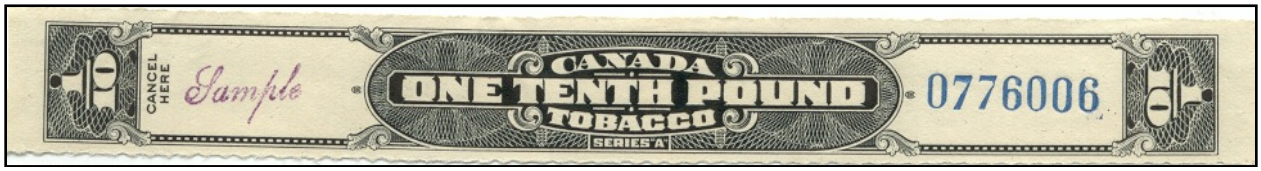
The catalogue lists the 155 x 15 mm. black, 1/10th pound Series “A” strips as follows:

RP-820 - 1/10th pound, coarse roulette, with ***4½ mm. blue control numbers***
RP-821 - 1/10th pound, *imperforate*, with ***4½ mm. blue control numbers***

--- RP-820 - ***coarse roulette*** - with ***4½ mm. blue control numbers*** - ***undated*** cancellations ---

There were at least seven passes through the control number sequence in the life of the 1/10th pound Series “A” strip. The following *coarse roulette*, (and the *imperforate* roller cancelled strips on the following page), must be fitted into these seven runs. At the present the separation of these strips into their proper control runs could only be done from an accurately recorded listing as to colour and format, which at this time is beyond me.

RP-820 - 1/10th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **8386473**



RP-820 - 1/10th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **0776006**
Stamped ***Sample*** in the cancellation panel

0282293	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
0382842	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **4-50-E**
0595892	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **Calgary / CUSTOMS / Tobacco**
0603062	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **Calgary / CUSTOMS / Tobacco**
0607238	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-1-H**
0612739	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **Calgary / CUSTOMS / Tobacco**
0613283	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **Calgary / CUSTOMS / Tobacco**
0776006 ★	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, stamped ***Sample***
1280855	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **8-10-D**
1372876	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-18-E**
1697780	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, with an unreadable blue roller
2853798	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
3309699	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, **Edmonton / CUSTOMS / Tobacco**
4555173	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **3-13-D**
5781047	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **4-50-E**
5931534	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
5940545	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
6539354	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **4-50-E**
6643677	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
6603185 ★	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, un-cancelled
6603082 ★	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, un-cancelled
6643677 ★	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
6663066	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
6754410	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
7356854	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
8180245	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
8386473 ★	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, unused
9066028	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**
9999353	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**

Without any documentation to support me, I feel that the **"Series of 1915"** Specimen strips, control numbered in a bluish-purple ink with seven zeroes **0000000** in the panels, were made by ABN when they first introduced the strip, and that those strips stamped ***Sample***, which carry blue control numbering, were made by CBN as examples of their production, when they were split off from their parent company in 1923.

Originally, since they were hand applied, they were produced with *coarse roulette* separation. As mechanization progressed in the late 1920's, the larger companies began to request *imperforate* sheets for machine application on certain products. As a result, the later printings are a mixture of *coarse roulette* and *imperforate* strips.

--- RP-820 - *coarse roulette* - with *4½ mm. blue control numbers* - *dated* cancellations ---

There were at least seven passes through the control number sequence in the life of the 1/10th pound Series "A" strip. The *coarse roulette* and the *imperforate* roller cancelled strips in the previous two pages, integrate into these runs. At the present the separation of these strips into their proper control runs could only be done from an accurately recorded listing as to colour and format, which at present is beyond me.

RP-820 - 1/10th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **7930706**
Coded **1-23-D / 1230** by "Imperial Tobacco", Granby, in December 1930

4973713	05/27	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / TOBACCO / 5, 1927**
1993648	06/30	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 630**
7930706 ★	12/30	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 1230**
6587733	06/31	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 631**
7837262	09/31	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 931**
3884019	01/32	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 132**
8884019	01/32	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 132**
8963420	01/32	RP-820	1/10th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 132**

--- RP-821 - *imperforate* - with *4½ mm. blue control numbers* - *undated* cancellations ---

RP-821 - 1/10th pound, imperforate, control **1496937**
Roller cancelled **1 - 10 - D** by "Macdonald Tobacco", Montreal

1496937 ★	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **1 - 10 - D**
3045523	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **1 - 10 - D**
3045603	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **1 - 10 - D**
3084790 ★	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **1 - 10 - D**
4610101	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **7-13-D**
4844572	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **6-13-D**
8353721	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **6-13-D**
8690328	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **1 - 10 - D**
9068197	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **6-13-D**
9754420	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **4-50-E / F-F-F**
9907763	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, rollered **4-50-E / H-H-H**

--- RP-821 - *imperforate* - with *4½ mm. blue control numbers* - *dated* cancellations ---

RP-821 - 1/10th pound, imperforate, control **2386372**
Roller cancelled **1-10-D-8-34** by "Macdonald Tobacco", Montreal, in August 1934

5863230	03/31	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, coded **1-23-D / 331**
6616820	06/31	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, coded **1-23-D / 631**
0169725	06/32	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, coded **1-23-D / 632**
2856140	02/33	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, coded **1-23-D / BA3**, a pasted-up strip
4220444 ★	05/33	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, mimeographed **1-10-D - 5-33**, On a 10¢ package of **Honey Dew** / **BURLEY TOBACCO**
5158271	08/33	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, coded **1-23-D / BC3**
5192074	08/33	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, coded **1-23-D / BC3**
5300016	09/33	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, coded **1-23-D / CC3**
5312977	09/33	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, coded **1-23-D / CC3**
1949811 ★	05/34	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, mimeographed **1-10-D - 5-34**
2293860	07/34	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, mimeographed **1-10-D - 7-34**
2386372	08/34	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, mimeographed **1-10-D - 8-34**
8240162	10/36	RP-821	1/10th pound, imperforate, coded **1-23-D / AGD**

--- The “Imperial Tobacco” deep blue Gothic surcharge of RP-820 - for the March 1943 Budget ---

--- RP-833 / RP-820 - **4¢ ■ on 1/10th pound** - ***coarse roulette*** ---

In June 1943 “Imperial Tobacco”, Granby, surcharged some obsolete sheets of the *coarse roulette* 1/10th pound **Series “A”** strip in a *one-time* variation of the “Imperial Tobacco” 1943 format, using a 3 mm. dark blue Gothic **4¢ ■**, plus the 4 mm. *killer square* which had ***nothing to cancel***. Added at the left, in 2 mm. deep blue heavy Gothic is a two-line **EXCISE / TAX**.

It probably belongs to the *coarse roulette* control sequence from 1934. Perhaps it was a remainder from stock at Ottawa, and was late shipped to Granby in 1943.

RP-833 - **EXCISE / TAX** / **4¢ ■** on 1/10th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **3341744**
A *one-time* surcharge on Series “A”, coded **1-23D / COB** by “Imperial Tobacco”, Granby, in June 1943

3341744★ 06/43 RP-833 / RP-820 **EXCISE / TAX** / **4¢ ■** on 1/10th pound, coarse roulette, A *one-time* surcharge coded **1-23D / COB**

--- Note: there was no 1/10th Pound strip in Series “B” ---

In a memorandum to *D. Sims, Esq.* (Deputy Minister of National Revenue, Customs and Excise) dated June 14th 1944, *L. A. White* and *C.R. Coombs* record the destruction of the ABN/CBN Roll No. XG-1170, from the Series “A”, 1/10 pound 155 x 15 mm. strip

In a similar memorandum, dated June 8th 1944, they record the destruction of plate No. 3 and 4 for the one-tenth pound Series “A” tobacco strip. The rolls and plates were defaced, and subsequently delivered to the Royal Canadian Mint as scrap metal.

These 60 impression plates were probably arranged as 2 by (2 x 15) strips - JBH

In the memorandum to *D. Sims, Esq.* (Deputy Minister of National Revenue, Customs and Excise) dated June 14th 1944, *L. A. White* and *C.R. Coombs* record the destruction of the ABN / CBN die XG-137 for the 155 x 15 mm. one-tenth pound Series “A” tobacco strip.

These paragraphs are taken from information supplied by Chris Ryan

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